

52:25-16.5 et seq



LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA: 52:25 - 16.5 et seq.

(Colleges and Universities
--independently allow
participation in State
purchasing contracts)

LAWS OF: 1985

CHAPTER: 263

Bill No: A2863

Sponsor(s): Ranieri and others

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Committee: Assembly: Higher Education and Regulated Professions

Senate: -----

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ASSEMBLY, No. 2863

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED DECEMBER 6, 1984

By Assemblymen RANIERI, LARocca, DORIA, CHARLES,
VAINIERI and CUPROWSKI

AN ACT to permit independent institutions of higher education to
participate in State purchasing contracts.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. As used in this act:

2 a. "Director" means the Director of the Division of Purchase
3 and Property in the Department of the Treasury.

4 b. "Independent institution of higher education" means a college
5 or university incorporated and located in New Jersey, which by
6 virtue of law or character or license, is a nonprofit, educational
7 institution authorized to grant academic degrees and provide a
8 level of education which is equivalent to the education provided
9 by the State's public institutions of higher education as attested
10 by the receipt of and continuation of regional accreditation by the
11 Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, and which is
12 eligible to receive State aid under the provisions of the Constitution
13 of the United States and the Constitution of the State of New
14 Jersey, but does not include any educational institution dedicated
15 primarily to the education or training of ministers, priests, rabbis
16 or other professional persons in the field of religion.

1 2. a. An independent institution of higher education may pur-
2 chase materials, supplies and equipment under any contract nego-
3 tiated on behalf of the State by the Director of the Division of
4 Purchase and Property subject to such rules as the director may
5 establish.

6 b. The director may establish limitations with respect to com-
7 modities available for purchase and impose other appropriate
8 conditions upon purchasing as deemed necessary to protect the
9 State's own purchasing interests.

1 3. Each purchase made by an independent institution of higher
2 education pursuant to this act shall have a cost of \$500.00 or more
3 and the college or university shall accept sole responsibility for
4 the payment of any cost due to the vendor.

1 4. The director shall annually distribute to each independent
2 institution of higher education a list of all current contracts entered
3 into on behalf of the State. The list shall provide information on
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5 the prices, terms and conditions thereof.

1 5. The director shall promulgate rules and regulations pursuant
2 to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P. L. 1968, c. 410 (C.
3 52:14B-1 et seq.) necessary to implement the provisions of this act.

1 6. This act shall take effect on July 1, 1985.

STATEMENT

This bill allows independent institutions of higher education to participate in State purchasing contracts. Under the bill's provisions, an independent college or university may purchase materials, supplies and equipment under any contract negotiated on behalf of the State by the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property. The director may establish limitations with respect to commodities available for purchase and may impose such other appropriate conditions upon the purchase as he deems necessary. Also, the director is to annually distribute to each independent institution of higher education a list of all current contracts entered into on behalf of the State.

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ASSEMBLY HIGHER EDUCATION AND REGULATED
PROFESSIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 28, 1985

PROVISIONS:

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BACKGROUND:

At the present time, all contracts negotiated by the State are maintained in a central computer file. All State agencies may register with the State indicating all types of contract categories in which they have an interest. Whenever a new contract is awarded in that category, the agency is automatically notified. Since all of the material is computerized, the annual distribution of the material to the colleges should not present any difficulty.

Currently, there are 16 independent colleges and universities eligible to receive State aid under the Independent College and University Assistance Act of 1979, P. L. 1979, c. 132 (C. 18A:72B-15 et seq.).

The committee favorably reports the bill.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 1985

S-2399, sponsored by State Senator Catherine Costa, D-Burlington, which incorporates into State statutes a statement of public policy and legislative purpose upon which the control of alcoholic beverages is to be based.

S-2829, sponsored by State Senator Francis J. McManimon, D-Mercer, which validates two bond ordinances adopted in Hamilton Township.

S-3071, sponsored by State Senator Donald T. DiFrancesco, R-Union, which permits boards of education to convey unused real property to non-profit New Jersey hospitals.

A-1838, sponsored by Assemblyman Garabed Haytaian, R-Warren, which amends the terms "law enforcement officer," "policeman," and "fireman" within the applicable retirement systems to include new Civil Service titles. The bill was necessary because of the transfer of three State agencies, the Enforcement Bureau of the Division of Motor Vehicles, the Enforcement Bureau of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control and the State Marine Police, into the Division of State Police.

A-2863, sponsored by Assemblyman Robert A. Ranieri, D-Hudson, which would allow independent institutions of higher learning to participate in the State's purchasing contracts.

AJR-87, sponsored by Assemblyman Robert P. Hollenbeck, D-Bergen, which requests the United States Environmental Protection Agency to adopt certain specific measures in determining a nationwide system of containment of gasoline vapors emitted during fueling at service stations. The resolution supports a vapor control system attached to the individual vehicle, rather than one attached to the gasoline pump.

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